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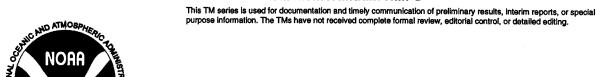
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ABSTRACT

The endangered Hawaiian monk seal (Monachus schauinslandi) was studied by the National Marine Fisheries Service at French Frigate Shoals (FFS) in the Hawaiian Islands National Wildlife Refuge 6-16 May 1990, 13 June-20 August 1990, and 23-29 September 1990; and from 24-26 January 1991 and 28 March-5 September 1991.

Ten atoll-wide beach counts made in 1990 averaged 248 adults, subadults, and juveniles. At least 89 pups were born. By the end of 1990, 80 of 89 (90%) pups had survived to weaning; 79 of those 80 were tagged (1 died before tagging). At least two pups were fostered by females other than their mothers. means of axillary girth, dorsal standard length, and mass for recently weaned pups were 100 cm, 124 cm, and 63 kg, Six prematurely weaned female pups were collected respectively. and transported to Oahu for rehabilitation prior to reintroduction at Kure Atoll. Five weaned female pups of average girth were transported directly to Kure Atoll and released. Forty-five parturient females were identified from previous years. Minimum first year survival of 1989 weaned and tagged pups was 70 of 101 (69%). The means of axillary girth, standard length, and mass for a sample of yearlings were 97 cm, 140 cm, and 59 kg, respectively. Four seals moved between Laysan Island and FFS. One seal was seen at Brooks Bank, northwest of FFS. juvenile was freed from entrapment in the seawall at Tern Island. A mating was observed near Tern Island. Injuries to 56 seals were recorded. Twenty-two seals, including 11 pups, were presumed or found dead. Necropsies were performed on 3 seals.

Ten atoll beach counts made in 1991 averaged 190 adults, subadults, and juveniles. At least 86 pups were born. end of 1991, 69 of 86 (80%) pups had survived to weaning, 68 of those were tagged (1 died before tagging). At least 8 pups were fostered by females other than their mothers. The means of axillary girth, dorsal standard length, and mass for recently weaned pups were 102 cm, 124 cm, and 64 kg, respectively. prematurely weaned female pups were collected and transported to Oahu for special care prior to release at Midway Atoll. Sixtyfive parturient females were identified from previous years. Minimum first year survival of 1990 weaned and tagged pups was 48 of 74 (65%). The means of axillary girth, standard length, and mass for a sample of yearlings were 90 cm, 135 cm, and 52 kg, respectively. The means of axillary girth, standard length, and mass for a sample of 2-year-olds were 93 cm, 142 cm, and 60 kg, respectively. Five seals moved between FFS and Laysan Island and 12 seals moved between FFS and Necker Island or Nihoa Island. One seal from FFS was seen at Brooks Bank. Two seals were released from entangling marine debris, and one died from entrapment behind the seawall at Tern Island. Injuries to 154 seals were recorded. Twenty-eight seals were presumed or found dead, including 21 pups. One male seal was euthanized.

Necropsies were performed on 8 seals.

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INTRODUCTION

The largest population of the endangered Hawaiian monk seal (Monachus schauinslandi) is in the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands (NWHI) at French Frigate Shoals (FFS), 480 nmi northwest of the western tip of Oahu. The history, geology, and biology of FFS through 1969 is described in Amerson (1971). Tern Island is the largest island in FFS and covers 15 hectares; all the other islands range in size from less than 0.4 to 5.0 hectares.

Johnson et al. (1982) summarized changes in seal counts at FFS between 1957 and 1978. Schulmeister (1981) described Tern Island censuses made between 1956 to 1980 and observed that there were always less than 10 seals hauled out on Tern Island until 1979. Since 1979, the seal counts at Tern Island have increased to a high of 181 seals in 1985 (Eliason et al., 1993). Fairaizl (1984) reported haul-out patterns of identifiable monk seals at FFS from January-September 1983.

Long-term research and population monitoring began at FFS in 1979 (Schulmeister, 1981; Johnson and Johnson, 1984). National Marine Fisheries Service, Southwest Fisheries Science Center, Honolulu Laboratory (NMFS) began annual studies in 1982 and began tagging weaned pups at FFS in 1984 using plastic Temple tags (cattle ear tags). From earlier studies at FFS the NMFS determined that less than 50% of the weaned pups with an axillary girth measurement less than 90 cm had survived to their first year (Eliason et al., 1992; Eliason et al., 1993; Craig et al., 1992; and unpublished data). Consequently, the NMFS began collecting prematurely weaned female pups in 1984. were rehabilitated on Oahu and were released as yearlings at Kure Atoll as part of a program to aid in the recovery of the population there (Gilmartin and Gerrodette, 1986; and Gerrodette and Gilmartin, 1990). Hiruki and Ragen (1992) catalogued all historical counts at FFS.

During 1990 and 1991, the primary objectives at FFS were to conduct atoll-wide beach counts of monk seals to assess productivity, survival, movements between atolls and islands, and population structure and distribution. Secondary objectives were to monitor reproduction of identified females; apply Temple tags and PIT tags (Passive Integrated Transponder, Biosonics, Inc. Seattle, WA) to weaned pups and immature seals not previously tagged; retag seals with broken or missing tags; collect weaned female pups with an axillary girth measurement of less than 90 cm for rehabilitation; collect 5 weaned female pups of average girth (in 1990) for direct shipment and release at Kure Atoll; weigh and measure weaned pups, 1-year-olds, and 2-year-olds; collect tissue samples when tagging weaned pups and immature seals for DNA fingerprinting; release entangled seals, record injuries, deaths, and disappearances; perform necropsies; and catalogue and

destroy debris capable of entangling wildlife. The results of this work are presented in this report.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

NMFS field camp for FFS was based at Tern Island from 6-16 May 1990, 13 June-20 August 1990, and 23-29 September 1990; and from 24-26 January 1991 and 28 March-5 September 1991 (See Appendixes A and B for itineraries). During the rest of the year the population was monitored by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS).

Census

FFS is made up of 10 permanent islands: Shark, Tern, Trig, Whale-Skate, Gin, Little Gin, Disappearing, Round, East, and La Perouse Pinnacle, and 9 semipermanent sand spits: Mullet Island, Bare Island, 3 spits north of Gin Island, 2 spits south of Little Gin Island, 1 spit northwest of Trig Island, and 1 spit east of Round Island (Fig. 1). Atoll censuses were counts of all seals hauled out on all beaches of FFS; island censuses were counts on single islands. We began seasonal atoll-wide censuses on 13 May 1990 and 9 April 1991 using the 1990 (Lee et al., 1993) and 1991 (unpublished data) revisions of the standard census form (Forsyth et al., 1988) and instructions (Johanos et al., 1987). Tern Island was censused approximately every week by the NMFS during their field season and by the USFWS throughout the remainder of the year.

Atoll censuses were conducted every 1-2 weeks and took 2 consecutive days to complete. These censuses began between 0900 and 1000 and ended between 1500 and 1700 each of the 2 days. During atoll censuses the islands were visited in the same order: (1) Round Island, (2) Disappearing Island, (3) Little Gin and Gin Islands, (4) Bare Island, and (5) East Island on one day; and (1) Shark Island, (2) Tern Island, (3) Trig Island, and (4) Whale-Skate Island on the other day.

Individual island censuses (i.e., counts of seals on single islands) started at approximately 1300. Round Island and Mullet Island were censused from a boat or from a nearby reef, while the remaining islands were censused on foot by one or two persons (walking in opposite directions). Seven of the larger islands had been divided into unequal sectors using artificial or natural landmarks. These sector divisions facilitated communication between researchers about locations of specific events as well as enabling analyses of haulout trends, annual pupping locations, and marine debris accumulation. Figure 2 presents the sector divisions of the main pupping islands (East, Round, and Whaleskate Islands). Types of data recorded on censuses are described in Lee et al. (1993).

Size and Sex Designation, Tagging, and Individual Identification

During each census, observers assigned each seal a size and sex, recorded tag numbers and colors, and made drawings of individual markings and old or recent injuries. Size and sex classification followed Stone (1984).

One yellow, numbered, Temple tag was attached to weaned pups in the webbing of each hind flipper (Gilmartin et al., 1986). In 1991, weaned pups were also tagged near each ankle with PIT tags. Prior to injecting the tag, we prepared the skin with alcohol and an iodine solution and the tag with a coating of antibiotic ointment. To read the tag, a portable reader was held a few centimeters away from the skin. Identifiable immature seals that had broken or missing tags were retagged with the appropriately colored and numbered tag.

Photographs and drawings of seals with birthmarks, scars, and unusual physical characteristics (amputations, clouded eyes, deformed limbs, etc.) were made to augment individual identification files begun before 1980. New permanent four-character identification (ID) numbers (always beginning with the letter Y to indicate a seal from FFS) were assigned to newly tagged weaned pups and to untagged seals identified in two or Temporary ID numbers (never beginning with the letter Y) were assigned to seals not previously identified and to all parturient seals in order to indicate the pupping site and order for each island in each year (i.e., E23-91 was the 23rd seal to pup on East Island in 1991; the prefix E = East, W = Whale-Skate, R = Round, TN = Tern, T = Trig, LG = Little Gin, and G = Gin). Since the 1990 field season started after pupping began, the temporary ID number assignment for parturient females did not necessarily follow chronological order for that entire year.

Prior to the beginning of the NMFS field season, usual pupping sites were visited only monthly by the USFWS, and during the field season the smallest permanent island, Round Island, was not as closely approached as other pupping sites. Consequently, we did not identify every female that pupped and may have missed some neonatal deaths or disappearances of prematurely weaned pups.

Pup Collection for Rehabilitation and Relocation

Female pups whose girth had measured less than 90 cm within 2 weeks after weaning (described herein as recently weaned) were collected (if transport were available within 2 weeks) and were sent to Sea Life Park, Oahu. After rehabilitation they were released the following year at Kure Atoll (rehabilitated seals from the 1990 cohort) and Midway Atoll (from the 1991 cohort). In 1990, in order to further enhance the reproductive potential

at Kure Atoll, five female pups that had weaned with an axillary girth greater than 99 cm were collected and transported directly to Kure Atoll. Seals with a girth of approximately 100 cm were considered to have weaned at an average size for FFS.

Immature Seal Measurement

Weaned pups were weighed and measured for dorsal standard length, standard length, and axillary girth (American Society of Mammalogists, 1967). In 1990, 1-year-old seals, and in 1991, both 1- and 2-year-old seals, were weighed and measured for axillary girth and standard length. These measurements were taken in order to compare growth rates between immature seals at Laysan Island and FFS.

To weigh immature seals we used a net strung between two 2 in by 2 in by 6 ft wood poles in order to wrap the seal for restraint. Straps with quick-release buckles were cinched in front of the shoulders and around the pelvis. Two lines with carabiners were wrapped as far apart along the net as possible and attached together above the seal in order to make a cradle. Finally, the lines were attached to a scale suspended from a hollow aluminum pole. Two people lifted the aluminum pole with the seal in the attached stretcher net to obtain the weight measurement.

Tissue Sample Collection

During the tagging procedure researchers collected tissue from the webbing of the hind flippers using a leather punch. This tissue was frozen. DNA from the tissue will be analyzed for genetic variation with the population.

Marine Debris Collection and Entanglement

Marine debris capable of entangling wildlife was collected, catalogued according to instructions in Johanos and Kam (1986), and destroyed. Entangled seals were freed when possible.

Injury

Injuries for each year were those first observed at any time during the calendar year and were categorized as punctures, abcesses, abrasions and lacerations, gaping wounds, circular wounds, or amputations of limbs (Hiruki et al., 1993). The general condition of the seals was described, as well as the wound observation date, location on the body, dimensions (length, width, and depth or height), condition (fresh, recent, or old), and cause (either known--actually witnessed, probable--cause

known but not witnessed, or unknown). Photographs and drawings of the injuries were made, and the healing progress of resighted seals was recorded.

Death

Freshly dead seals were necropsied following procedures described in Winchell (1990). Abnormalities and injuries of these seals were examined; major organs were sampled; skulls were collected from all but nursing pups; and observations were recorded on a Monk Seal Necropsy Report Form (Craig et al., 1992).

RESULTS

Population

Atoll Census

In 1990, observers made 10 atoll censuses from 13 May-11 August (Table 1). The beach count of all seals averaged 290 (SD = 23.5) and, excluding pups, 248 (SD = 25.0) (Table 2). In 1991, the total count from 10 atoll censuses between 9 April and 9 August averaged 220 (SD = 39.5) and, excluding pups, 190 (SD = 32.2) (Tables 1 and 2).

The mean atoll beach count, excluding pups, decreased from 278 seals in 1989 (Craig et al., 1992 and Fig. 3) to 190 in 1991 - a significant decline in the means in two years (t-test, p < 0.0001).

Tern Island Census

The mean Tern Island beach count of all seals in 1990 was 85 (SD = 18.3, n = 57) and, excluding pups, 84 (SD = 17.9) (Tables 3 and 5). In 1991 the mean totals were 75 (SD = 17.5, n = 43) and 73 (SD = 17.8) with and without pups, respectively (Tables 4 and 5).

Minimum Population Total

In 1990, observers identified 537 seals: 89 pups (Tables 6 and 7) and 138 adult, 175 subadult, and 135 juvenile seals (Table 7). In 1991, the total was 606: 86 pups (Tables 8 and 9) and 247 adult, 172 subadult, and 101 juvenile seals (Table 9). During the longer field season in 1991 more effort to identify adults was expended (compared to 1990) (compared to any previous year). The identified seals in both years accounted for an unknown fraction of the total population.

Pup Production

At least 89 pups were born in 1990: 39 females, 45 males, and 5 of unknown sex (Table 6). Seventy-nine of these pups were tagged after weaning, and 11 of the 89 pups were found dead or had died before the end of the year. At least 86 pups were born in 1991: 49 females, 30 males, and 7 of unknown sex (Table 8). Sixty-eight of these pups were tagged after weaning, and 18 of the 86 pups were found dead or had died before the end of the field season. The numbers of the PIT tags applied to weaned pups are listed in Table 10.

In 1990, the birth sites and numbers at each site were: East I.--27 (30% of total births), Whale-Skate--20 (22%), Tern I.--10 (11%), and all other islets (Round, Trig, Little Gin, and Gin)-- 26 (29%); and 16 unknown (18%) (Table 6). In 1991, the birth sites and numbers were: East I.--29 (34%); Whale-Skate--26 (30%); Tern--13 (15%), and all other islets (Round, Trig, Little Gin, and Gin)--17 (20%); and 1 unknown (1%) (Table 8).

In 1990 and 1991, 45 and 65 parturient females, respectively, were identified from previous years (Tables 11 and 12). The field season in 1990 was shorter than in 1991, so fewer females were identified in 1990 as parturient. The age of the youngest Hawaiian monk seal known to have pupped is 5 years (Johanos et al., 1990). During 1990, none of 23 5-year-olds and only 1 of 29 6-year-olds were known to have pupped. In 1991, none of the 42 5- and 6-year-olds and only 2 of the 26 7-year-olds were observed to have pupped.

Pup Fostering

In 1990, at least 2 pups were fostered by mothers other than their own. Information related to these fosterings follows.

- $\underline{\text{No. }1}$. On 8 May, an unidentified female was observed on East Island nursing 2 young pups.
- No. 2. On 6 August, at Whale-Skate Island, female Y611 without a pup was observed interacting with Y535 and her pup. Later, in that day Y611 had begun nursing a tagged weaned pup, YG56.

In 1991, at least 8 pups were fostered by mothers other than their own. Information related to these fosterings follows.

- No. 1. On 8 May, female Y543 was observed with a young pup on Whale-Skate Island. On 11 May, female Y624 had fostered Y543's pup. Y624's pup was dead (Death No. 12 in 1991).
- No. 2 and 3. On 17 June, at East Island, females Y014 and Y489 were found with each other's pups. They fostered the pups to

weaning.

 $\underline{\text{No.}}$ $\underline{4}$ and $\underline{5}$. On 28 June at East Island females Y523 and Y459 were found with each other's pups. They fostered the pups to weaning.

No. 6 and 7. On 30 June, at Whale-Skate Island, females Y351 and Y568 were found with each other's pups. By 14 July, Y351 had her own pup again and Y568 had weaned.

No. 8. On 30 June, at Whale-Skate Island, female Y613 was found with female Y055's pup (Y055 had weaned between 25 June and 30 June). Y613's pup was not observed then. On 2 July, Y613 was again with her own pup.

Survival to Weaning

In 1990 and 1991, the survival of pups from birth to weaning was 90% (80 of 89) and 80% (69 of 86), respectively (Tables 6 and 8). In 1990 and 1991, 7 and 10 neonatal deaths, respectively, were found on Tern Island. Pregnant seals consistently haul out at Tern Island prior to pupping on other islets. Hence, premature births may have been more likely to occur here compared to other islets at FFS. The experience and increased survey effort by USFWS personnel on Tern Island during these 2 years may account, in part, for the increase in the number of dead pups found compared to previous years.

Pup Collection for Rehabilitation and Relocation

In both 1990 and 1991, observers collected 6 recently weaned female pups with axillary girths below 90 cm. These pups were transported to Sea Life Park on Oahu. (See Tables 6 and 8 for tagging/collection dates and weaning islands; see Appendixes A and B for transportation dates). Also in 1990, 5 female pups with axillary girths, measured within two weeks of weaning, greater than 99 cm were collected and transported directly to Kure Atoll (Table 6).

Survival Post-Weaning

The minimum survival rate of pups tagged in 1989 and 1990 through the first full year was 69% (70 of 101) and 65% (48 of 74), respectively (Table 13). These survival rates include seals known to be alive in 1992 but not sighted in 1990 or 1991 (NMFS, unpublished data). In order to standardize survival calculations, the female pups collected for rehabilitation are included in the tagged total but were considered to be dead in subsequent years. However, the 5 seals sent directly to Kure Atoll in 1990 are not included in the tagged total. The minimum

survival rate into 1990 and 1991 of each cohort tagged since 1984 is reported in Table 13.

Immature Seal Measurement

The mean, standard deviation, and sample size for axillary girth, dorsal standard length or standard length, and mass for recently weaned pups, for 1-year-olds in 1990, and 1- and 2-year-olds in 1991, is presented in Table 14. A more detailed analysis of the relationship of size and condition of immature seals at FFS, compared to immature seals at Laysan Island will be reported elsewhere.

Retagging

During 1990, observers replaced broken or lost tags on 2 immature seals, and during 1991, tags were replaced on 38 seals (Table 15).

Interisland Movement

In 1990, 1 male and 3 female seals moved between Laysan Island and FFS (Table 16, unpublished data). Adult female Y156 has often moved between these two locations in the past but is only known to pup at FFS (Craig et al., 1992; Eliason and Henderson, 1992; unpublished data). Adult female Y608 pupped at FFS in 1990 soon after leaving Laysan Island. In 1990, a NMFS observer on a fishing vessel at Brooks Banks photographed adult female Y162, usually resident at FFS (unpublished data).

In 1991, 5 female seals moved between FFS and Laysan Island. Seven male and 6 female seals moved between Necker Island or Nihoa Island and FFS (Table 16, unpublished data). In 1991, personnel from the USFWS and the NMFS censused Necker and Nihoa Islands, respectively, more extensively than usual (unpublished data). Hence, more sightings of FFS tagged seals were made at these islands. Adult females Y156 and T77F pupped at FFS then moved to Laysan Island. A fishing vessel reported the tag numbers of a juvenile female, YN37, observed at Brooks Banks in 1991.

Marine Debris Collection and Entanglement

In 1990 and 1991, 254 and 164 pieces, respectively, of net and line were collected.

In 1990, one juvenile male seal was found entrapped behind the seawall on Tern Island (Table 17). Personnel from the USFWS

rescued him. He had few lacerations and abrasions (Injury no. 49, Table 18).

In 1991, two seals were found entangled and a third seal died while entrapped in the Tern Island seawall (Table 17). Further information relating to these three cases follows.

No. 01FFS91. We removed a 2.5 cm diameter braided nylon loop from around the chest of an adult male. He was not injured. By using pruning shears to cut the line we were able to avoid restraining the seal.

No. 02FFS91. We found a recently dead subadult male that had hauled out behind the seawall (between sector 9 and 10) and apparently had not been able to return to the water.

No. 03FFS91. Using pruning shears we cut a net from around this female seal's neck. The female suffered two lacerations--one from the net and one from the shears (Injury numbers 90a and b, Table 19).

Mating Attempt

In 1990, an attempted mating was observed from Tern Island in sector 1. While 10 meters from shore, six adult males had attempted to mate with adult female Y150. Y150 was injured (Injury No. 7, Table 18). After approximately 30 minutes, the group moved onto shore where the activity stopped.

Injury

Observers discovered 57 different injuries to seals in 1990 (Table 18). Conspecifics had injured 13 seals (23%). At least 1 of these injuries had been from a multiple-male mating attempt. Sharks caused 21 injuries (37%): 2 injuries from the cookie cutter shark (*Isistius brasiliensis*) and 19 potentially life-threatening injuries from larger sharks. One seal had been injured from entanglement in a fishing net. The cause of the remaining 21 injuries (37%) could not be determined.

In 1991, 154 injuries were observed (Table 19). Conspecifics had inflicted 50 injuries (32%) of which 8 were probably from multiple male mating attempts. Sharks had caused 63 injuries (41%): 8 injuries from the cookie cutter shark and 55 more severe injuries from larger sharks. Two seals had been found with fishhooks embedded, one in its mouth and the other in its chest. One seal had been injured from entanglement in a fishing net (No. 03FFS91 in Table 17). The cause of 38 (25%) injuries could not be determined. [After the USFWS personnel at Tern Island had found the two seals with embedded hooks (Injuries No. 3 and 5b, Table 19) and had received reports from fishermen

of other interactions, the NMFS initiated regulatory action to establish a protected species zone for all waters within 50 nmi of the islands and atolls of the NWHI from Kure Atoll to Nihoa Island, including the corridors between these islands (Federal Register v. 56, p. 15842 and v. 56, p. 33211). The emergency plans became law in May 1991 (Amendment No. 3 to the Fishery Management Plan for the Pelagic Fisheries of the Western Pacific Region) and in June 1991 (Amendment No. 4 to the Combined Fishery Management Plan, Environmental Assessment and Regulatory Impact Review for the Bottomfish and Seamount Groundfisheries of the Western Pacific Region)].

Death, Disappearance, and Removal

Between 4 January and 25 November 1990, observers found 22 dead seals (Table 20). More detailed information gathered from some deaths follows.

No. 01FFS90. Juvenile male. Body condition was emaciated. The seal had a deep gash exposing muscle in front of the right ankle (Injury No. 6, Table 18). It was last seen alive with the injury on 29 March in the same place on Tern Island. The cause of death was probably starvation.

 $\underline{\text{No. 02FFS90}}$. Juvenile female. The seal was last seen alive without injuries 27 March on Tern Island. It had been thin then and may have died from starvation.

No. 06FFS90. Adult male. It was last seen 7 February with an infected cookie cutter shark wound on its left eye and supraorbital ridge (Injury No. 01, Table 18). The cause of death was not determined.

No. 09FFS90. Juvenile female. It was last seen alive 22 March on Tern Island. It was considered gaunt when found dead and probably died from starvation.

No. 11FFS90. Weaned male pup. It was last seen alive 3 June on Whale-Skate Island. There were fresh scratches on the seal's dorsum similar to those found on recently mated adult females (Injury No. 55, Table 18). Its head had been traumatized. The bronchi had water in them suggesting that the seal had drowned.

No. 12FFS90. Newborn pup. The pup had been born next to a cement slab (a foundation for quonset huts used by the U.S. military 30-40 years ago) between the evening of 27 July and morning of 28 July. Its head and neck had been traumatized. The cause of death was not determined.

 $\underline{\text{No.}}$ 13FFS90. We aned male pup. It was last seen alive 6 August on Whale-Skate Island. There were fresh lacerations on its

- dorsum similar to mating injuries of mature females (Injury No. 56, Table 18). Its head had been traumatized. The bronchi had water in them suggesting that the seal had drowned.
- No. 14FFS90. Aborted fetus. Its mother, Y059, had fresh gashes from a large shark bite (Injury No. 00, Table 18). This trauma may have induced the abortion.
- No. 17FFS90. Newborn male pup. The pup and its mother were found next to a section of the seawall that had been covered partially with sand. This pup appeared normal in size but apparently had been crushed by its mother.
- No. 21FFS90. Juvenile male. This seal was last seen 19 August on Tern Island. It was considered severely emaciated then. The cause of death was probably starvation.
- Between 1 January and 31 December 1991, 29 seals had either died or had disappeared and had therefore been presumed dead (Tables 20 and 21) and 2 were removed from the population. Information relating to deaths follows.
- No. 04FFS91. Newborn female pup. Its mother had apparently crushed it.
- $\underline{\text{No. }07FFS91}$. Adult male. The seal was very emaciated. The worn condition of its teeth suggested old age as the cause of death.
- No. 10FFS91. Newborn male pup. It was found rolling in the intertidal zone. Two cm of its umbilicus remained. The head was traumatized. The bronchi didn't have water in them, so we assume it didn't drown. The cause of death was not determined.
- No. 12FFS91. Newborn female pup. The placenta was still attached to the pup. The stomach contained yellowish-red tinted milk, and the intestines were full of digesting milk. No obvious trauma was observed. The cause of death was not determined.
- No. 13FFS91. Weaned female pup. The seal was last known to be alive on 22 May on Whale-Skate Island. The seal had scratches on its dorsum and a patch of skin missing from the ventrum (Injury No. 151, Table 19). Adult male Y267 may have drowned this seal while attempting to copulate with it.
- No. 14FFS91. Weaned male pup. The seal was last seen alive with its mother on 30 May on Whale-Skate Island. It had many fresh scratches on its shoulders and dorsum (Injury No. 152, Table 19). It had water in the bronchi. This seal had drowned.
- No. 15FFS91. Weaned male pup. It was found rolling in the surf 6 June on Whale-Skate Island (sector 5). The seal was last seen alive on 2 June on Whale-Skate Island. It had fresh scratches on its ventrum and dorsum (Injury No. 153, Table 19). Its bronchi

had water in them suggesting drowning as the cause of death.

No. 16FFS91. Weaned female pup. The pup was found rolling in the intertidal zone. The seal was last seen alive on 7 June on Whale-Skate Island. It had fresh scratches on its dorsum and lacerations on its left foreflipper (Injury No. 154, Table 19). Its bronchi had water in them suggesting drowning as the cause of death.

No. 18FFS91. Subadult male. The seal was found behind the seawall between sector 9 and 10 (No. 02FFS91 in Table 17). It was last seen alive on Whale-Skate Island 4 days earlier. The stomach lining contained many ulcers and attached nematodes. The seal may have died from heat stress; no other cause of death was apparent.

No. 19FFS91. Newborn male pup. It appeared to have a wound on the left side of its head and the left eye was bulging. It may have been crushed by its mother. The pup's mother was next to the pup so we didn't recover it.

No. 20FFS91. Adult female. She was last seen alive 6 August on Tern Island (sector 1) and was considered emaciated then. She was at least 16 years old and had pupped consecutively 6 times since 1984. She had received shark bite injuries on 16 February (Injury No. 27, Table 19) and her pelage was noticeably deteriorating during this year. The incidence of injury and the deteriorating pelage suggested that the cause of death may have been age related.

No. 21FFS91. Subadult male. He was last seen alive on 24 August on Tern Island. There was a swollen, fresh shark bite injury to the right side of his neck and the right hindflipper (Injury No. 143, Table 19). The bites were not severe. The cause of death was not clearly determined.

Information relating to disappearances follows.

No. 25FFS91. A young nursing pup was 1 of 5 pups with mothers on Round Island on 10 May. On 18 May, only 3 pups could be accounted for. On 31 May, 5 pups were counted of which 1 was newborn. Consequently, we assumed at least one pup disappeared between 10 May and 18 May. There was a very high tide during that week.

 $\underline{\text{No.}}$ 26FFS91. A young nursing pup was last seen 18 May on Little Gin. Neither the pup nor its mother were seen after that date.

No. 27FFS91. Only two young nursing pups were observed 8 August on Round Island. On 14 August and thereafter only one nursing pup was observed and no prematurely weaned pups were found.

Information relating to removals follows.

No. 17FFS91. Adult male Y267 was euthanized 13 June on Whale-Skate Island (Emergency permit No. 741 issued by the NMFS). On 2 June, Y267 aggressively defended the freshly drowned weaned pup YZX0 (Death No. 14FFS91 in Table 20). During 24-hour observations on Whale-Skate Island between 8 June and 13 June Y267 had aggressively attempted to mate with other seals and was found in the process of trapping weaned male pup YZ11 underwater while attempting to mount it (Y267 was thwarted by J. Megyesi in this instance). We had also highly suspected its involvement in the deaths of YZ00 (Death No. 13FFS91), YZ09 (Death No. 15FFS91), and YZ12 (Death No. 16FFS91).

No. 28FFS91. Subadult female Y634 was considered emaciated and not likely to survive in the wild. Consequently, she was relocated 7 August (NMFS permit No. 707) to Sea Life Park, Oahu as a joint effort between the NMFS and the Hawaii Institute of Marine Biology.

Conclusion

The number of seals counted on the beaches and the pup production during 1988-89 was the highest recorded at FFS (Craig et al., 1992). In 1990-91, the beach counts, pup production, survival to weaning, and survival of immature seals all decreased. In addition, the number of undersize weaned females collected continued to be high. This population clearly is declining after 30 years of increase (Fig. 3).

Importantly, reports of interactions with fisherman and observations of fishhooks embedded in seals represent an unknown percentage of the total interactions with humans. We are unable to determine the relative contribution these interactions have to the loss of seals in 1990 and 1991 at FFS.

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TABLES

Table 1.--Atoll censuses of French Frigate Shoals in 1990 and 1991.a

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^aM = male, F = female, and U = unknown. ^bDate refers to first day of the 2-day atoll census. ^cTotal includes seals not assigned specific age class.

Table 2.--Summary statistics for whole atoll census counts in 1990 and 1991 (S.D. = standard deviation).

For 10 Cens	uses in	1990:	For 10 Cens	uses in	1991:
Size Class	Mean	S.D.	Size Class	Mean	S.D.
Adults	130.0	10.3	Adults	110.7	19.2
Males	24.1	6.4	Males	29.3	4.6
Females	50.3	4.8	Females	54.6	15.8
Unknowns	55.6	6.8	Unknowns	26.8	7.7
Subadults	77.9	17.7	Subadults	50.7	14.1
Males	29.4	10.1	Males	23.0	8.6
Females	26.8	6.3	Females	19.5	6.4
Unknowns	21.7	5.7	Unknowns	8.2	3.0
Juveniles	39.9	5.6	Juveniles	24.0	5.1
Males	18.4	4.1	Males	11.3	2.3
Females	13.6	4.4	Females	10.2	2.6
Unknowns	7.9	3.6	Unknowns	2.5	1.6
Pups	42.1	6.6	Pups	30.3	10.9
Males	12.5	3.1	Males	10.4	4.8
Females	8.5	2.9	Females	12.0	6.1
Unknowns	21.1	6.1	Unknowns	7.9	3.7
Nonpup Total	247.9	25.0	Nonpup Total	189.6	32.2
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Table 3.--Censuses of Tern Island in 1990.

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Table 5.--Summary statistics for census counts on Tern I. in 1990 and 1991 (S.D. = standard deviation).

For 57 Cens	uses in	1990:	For 43 Ce	ensuses in i	1991:
Size Class	Mean	S.D.	Size Class	Mean	s.D.
Adults Males Females Unknowns	52.3 17.0 14.1 21.2	17.5 9.3 5.2 9.7	Adults Males Females Unknowns	51.9 18.7 16.9 16.3	15.1 7.5 7.3 7.5
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Juveniles Males Females Unknowns	7.8 4.0 2.9 1.0	3.6 2.0 1.7 1.5	Juveniles Males Females Unknowns	4.0 1.8 1.9	1.9 1.3 1.1
Pups Males Females Unknowns	1.2 .5 .5	1.2 .6 .7 .5	Pups Males Females Unknowns	1.3 .7 .6 .1	.9 .8 .6 .3
Nonpup Total	83.5	17.9	Nonpup Total	73.3	17.8
Grand Total	84.7	18.3	Grand Total	74.7	17.5

Table 6.--Summary of pup data collected in 1990.

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XG50	G20	1 10	ΞΞ		WS	/14-2	WS		12	0 1	4 W	
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 	No.	$YG53^{9}$	YG54	$YG55^{g}$	XG56	YG57	YG58	XG59	$\Lambda G60$	YG61	XG62	XG63	YG64	YG74	XG75	3C5X	XG77	XG78	XG79	YG80	YG81	YG82	YG83	YG84	YG85	XG86	YG88	YGX1	YGX2	YGX3	YGX4	YGX5	YGX6

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Ę	Ta	Tag No.	Α.	Bi	Birth	Weaning	ing	Nursing		Mea	Measurement ^e	ψ 1.}
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= female, and U = unknown.

4/21-4/23), or known to have occurred before or after another date (i.e., <8/24 or >8/30, $^{b}\mathrm{L}=1\mathrm{eft}$; R = right. $^{c}\mathrm{Event}$ dates are either exact (i.e., 4/21), known to have occurred within a range (i.e., respectively).

dIslet abbreviations: Te = Tern, Ea = East, WS = Whale-Skate, Tr = Trig, Gi = Gin, LG = Little Gin, and Ro = Round.

*Measurement abbreviations: AG = axillary girth, DSL = dorsal standard length fCollected to enhance Kure Atoll population.

"Collected for rehabilitation.

'Pup found dead on birth date (see also Table 21). hOnly measured and weighed on this date.

Found dead on this date.

Table 7.--Number of individually identifiable seals observed in 1990, by sex and estimated size class.^a

		Numb						
Size	M	F	U	Total	Sex ratio			
Adults								
- known age ^c	16	16	. 0	32				
 unknown age^d 	7	99	0	106				
Total	23	115	0	138				
Subadults								
- known age ^c	86	87	0	173	1:1			
- unknown age	0	2	0	2				
Total	86	89	0	175	1:1			
${ t Juveniles^c}$	71	64	0	135	1.1:1			
Pups	45	39	5	89	1.2:1			
Total	225	307	5	537				
Total								
excluding pups	180	268	0	448				

^aM = male, F = female, and U = unknown sex.

bSex ratio is number of males to females. Sex ratio is provided only when the tagged seals represent most or all of the seals in that size category.

cTagged seals. Age: adult = 5-6 years old, subadult = 2-6 years old, juvenile = 1-4 years old.

dNote that more effort was made to identify unknown age females compared to unknown age males.

Table 8.--Summary of pup data collected in 1991.

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 ^{a}M = male, F = female, and U = unknown. ^{b}L = left; R = right.

"Measurement abbreviations: AG = axillary girth, DSL = dorsal standard length. fCollected for rehabilitation.

 $^{9}\mathrm{Found}$ dead on this date (see Table 20). $^{\mathrm{h}}\mathrm{Pups}$ found dead on birth date (see Table 20).

¹Pups assumed to have disappeared (see Table 21).

Event dates are either exact (i.e., 4/21), known to have occurred within a range (i.e., 4/21-4/23), or known to have occurred before or after another date (i.e., <8/24 or >8/30). dIslet abbreviations: Te = Tern, Ea = East, WS = Whale-Skate, Tr = Trig, Gi = Gin, LG = Little Gin, and Ro = Round.

Table 9.--Number of individually identifiable seals observed in 1991, by sex and estimated size class.^a

		Numk	per of sea	ls	
Size	M	F	U	Total	Sex ratiob
Adults					
- known age ^c	28	32	0	60	
- unknown age ^d	50	137	0	187	
Total	78	169	. 0	247	
Subadults					
- known age ^c	87	78	0	165	1.1:1
- unknown age	4	3	0	7	
Total	91	81	0	172	
Juveniles					
- known age ^c	50	43	0 .	93	1.2:1
- unknown age	4	4	0	8	
Total	54	47	0	101	
Pups	30	49	7	86	0.6:1
Total	253	346	7	606	
Total					
excluding pups	223	· 297	0	520	

^aM = male, F = female, and U = unknown sex.

bSex ratio is the number of males to females. Sex ratio is provided only when the tagged seals represent most or all of the seals in that size category.

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dNote that more effort was made to identify untagged females compared to unknown age males.

Table 10.--Passive Integrated Transponder (PIT) tags applied to weaned pups in 1991.

ID -	Tag 1	number	Tag	ID	Tag 1	number	. Пос
No.	Left	Right	Date	No.	Left	Right	Tag Date
YZ00	E3266	D7018	4/04	YZ39	F693A	D7E65	7/19
YZ01	D3C63	D2D0D	4/10	YZ40	D155B	D3A21	7/24
YZ03	D4143	E0E41	4/30	YZ41	E2047	E2912	7/26
YZ04	E1206	D4341	5/10	YZ42	E0F0E	D2A77	7/28
YZ05	D3007	E1063	5/23	YZ45	E120C	E342B	7/29
YZ10	A447F	D2715	6/05	YZ46	E5A5D	E7F2A	7/29
YZ15	E2A77	E1B1F	6/16	YZ47	D4036	E1674	7/30
YZ16	D0154	E117A	6/17	YZ48	A4816	D1875	8/04
YZ17	D2F3F	D3975	6/17	YZ49	D1A53	E127D	8/08
YZ18	E3502	E340C	6/18	YZ50	D281F	D161E	8/10
YZ19	E3511	D1719	6/24	YZ51	D321C	D1319	8/14
YZ20	E0F10	D3F45	6/24	YZ52	E0D25	E0E44	8/14
YZ22	E2F50	E1018	6/25	YZ53	D4264	D035A	8/16
YZ23	D1504	D2C2C	6/25	YZ54	E346B	E3137	8/17
YZ24	E7D36	E124C	6/25	YZ55	E1031	E120F	8/17
YZ25	D385E	E3846	6/30	YZ56	D7C44	E1020	8/20
YZ27	D2711	D3916	6/30	YZ57	E2D3A	E245A	8/23
YZ28	D1362	A3D5B	7/03	YZ58	E0210	D1A5F	8/25
YZ29	D4819	D301A	7/05	YZ59	D2919	F0119	8/31
YZ30	D1551	E311F	7/05	YZ60	D3068	E100D	9/01
YZ31	D7D28	D3B5F	7/05	YZ61	E432A	E2016	9/12
YZ32	E1B7B	E0F02	7/05	YZ62	E255C	D7B70	9/17
YZ33	E0E62	D367E	7/06	YZ63	E4A47	E1E18	9/22
YZ34	D4773	D4475	7/09	YZ64	E0D65	D742D	10/05
YZ35	D472E	E1A3A	7/14	YZ65	D4242	D006D	10/06
YZ36	D1314	E1869	7/14	YZ66	E4F3F	D2C2F	10/06
YZ37	D2E22	D725B	7/18	YZ67	D183C	D3444	10/08
YZ38	E3330	E0060	7/19				•

^aEach PIT tag number listed here is the last 5 digits of a 10-digit number. The first 5 digits for each tag are **7F7D1**.

Table 11.--Summary of parturition data collected in 1990.

Adu	ılt female		Birth			Lactation
ID No.	Temp. ID	No. Date ^a	Isletb	Sector	- Wean dateª	period (days)
Y004		7/12-7/15	Ea		8/09-8/23	25-42
Y009	TN2	5/27	Te	8	7/02	36
Y014	ED	<7/03	Ea		>7/04	
Y022	W06	6/24-6/30	WS	6	8/09	40-46
Y030	WO1	<6/23	WS		7/15-7/27	
Y055	EJ	<5/14	WS		5/15-6/23	
Y059		2/05	Te	2	PUP DEAD	
Y061	W07	6/24-6/30	WS	5	7/31-8/03	
Y084	W13	7/15-7/27	WS	4.3	8/12-9/24	
Y103	С	<5/08	WS		5/10-6/03	
Y162	S	<5/06	Ea		5/15-6/17	
Y209	LG1	7/06-7/09	LG	2	8/03-8/05	
Y214	E15	8/03-8/05	Ea	6	8/09-9/26	
Y227	W04	<6/23	WS		7/11-7/16	
Y228		<8/03	Ro	1	8/07-9/27	
Y265		<7/16	Ro	1	8/04-9/27	
Y268	EA	<5/06	Ea		5/15-6/17	
Y279	E14	7/27-7/29	Ea	2	8/11-9/26	
Y286	E01	<6/20	Ea		7/16-7/24	
Y288	W09	6/31-7/10	WS		8/12-9/24	
Y305		<5/08	${\tt Tr}$		5/15	
Y458		7/29	Ea	9	PUP DEAD°	
Y502		6/21-7/05	Ea		8/03-8/05	29-45
Y517	R	<5/11	Ea		>5/12	
Y521	E02	<7/03	Ea	* *	7/06-7/15	
Y523		<7/15	Ea		7/16-7/24	
Y524		<8/02	Ea		8/09-9/26	
Y528	ES2	7/06-7/09	Ea		>7/10	
Y531		7/27-7/29	Ea	3	8/09-9/26	
Y532	EH	<5/14	Ea		>5/15	
Y535	W10	7/07-7/10	WS	6	8/12-9/24	
Y553	W08	<7/16	WS		8/04-9/24	
Y554	W02	<6/23	WS		7/17-7/27	
Y559	0	<5/10	WS		5/11-6/23	
Y575	TN4	7/07	Te	5	8/10	34
Y583	TR1	5/16-6/30	\mathtt{Tr}		7/01	
Y595	TN1	6/01-6/08	Te	5	7/04	26-33
Y598	EC	<5/14	Ea		>5/16	
Y602	W	<5/07	\mathtt{Tr}		>5/15	
Y608	160	5/29-7/06	Ro		7/11-7/27	
Y611	W12	7/28-7/30	WS		8/12-9/24	
Y616	W03	<6/23	WS		7/31-8/03	
Y626	W05	<6/23	WS		6/24-8/06	
Y631	AF	<5/07	Gi		5/16-7/05	
Y642	N	<5/10	WS		>5/11	
	TNA	1/12-1/18	Te		2/22-3/01	35-48

Table 11. -- Continued.

Adu	lt female		Birth		· .	Lactation
ID No.	Temp. ID	No. Date ^a	Isletb	Sector	- Wean dateª	period (days)
	TNB	3/09	Te	6	PUP DEAD	
	TN5	1/06-1/11	Te	5	PUP DEAD	:
	TN6	2/17	Te	3	PUP DEAD	
	TN7	3/22	Te	4	PUP DEAD°	
	TN8	3/23-3/27	Te	3	PUP DEAD	
	TN9	11/25	Te	3	PUP DEAD	
	TR2	7/02-7/06	\mathtt{Tr}	2	7/31-8/03	
	H	<5/08	WS		>5/09	
	Q	<5/10	WS		>5/11	
	$\widetilde{\mathbf{T}}$	<5/10	WS		>5/11	
	E00	<5 [/] 06	Ea	1	PUP DEAD°	!
	EB	<5/14	Ea		>5/15	
	EE	<5/14	Ea		>5/15	
	EF	<5/14	Ea		>5/15	
	EI	<5/14	WS		>5/15	
	EK	<5/14	WS		>5/15	
	ES1	<7/09	Ea		>7/10	
	ES3	<7/09	Ea		>7/10	
	AG	<5/07	Gi		5/16-7/05	5

^aEvent dates are either exact (i.e., 4/21), known to have occurred within a range (i.e., 4/21-4/23), or known to have occurred before or after another date (i.e., <8/24 or >8/30, respectively).

^bIslet abbreviations: Ea = East, WS = Whale-Skate, Te = Tern, Tr = Trig, LG = Little Gin, Gi = Gin, and Ro = Round.

^cPup found dead by last day of birth date (see also Table 20).

Table 12.--Summary of parturition data collected in 1991.

Adu	lt fema	ale			Birth			Lactation
ID No.	Temp.	ID	No.	Date	Islet ^b	Sector	- Wean dateª	period (days)
Y004	E2			7/22-23	Ea	4	8/30	38-39
800Y	EC		•	<3/30	Ea	6	4/10-30	>11-31
Y014	E1			5/13	Ea	2	6/24	42
Y022	E2			7/17	Ea	9	8/24-25	38-39
Y027	W :			6/09	WS	6	7/15-19	36-40
Y030	TO			6/18-25	Tr	2	7/26-30	31-42
Y055	W1			5/22-30	WS	6	6/25-30	26-39
Y061	W	L9		7/06-14	WS	3	8/09-16	26-41
Y084	W2	24		8/16-17	WS	6	9/26-10/06	40-52
Y101	WC	12		4/16-5/01	ws	2	5/22-30	21-44
Y145	TO)3		5/19-30	\mathtt{Tr}	1	6/18-25	19-37
Y150	W2	20		7/06-14	WS	1	8/17-20	34-45
Y156	EC	7		4/10-30	Ea	4	5/23-28	23-48
Y180	$\mathbf{T}\mathbf{N}$			5/09	Te	5	6/15	37
Y218	El			6/17	Ea	5 5	7/18-21	31-34
Y253	W]			6/09	WS	5	7/19-24	40-45
Y261	W			5/22-30	WS	4	6/25-30	26-39
Y265	E2			7/30	Ea	3	8/31	32
Y268	EC			4/29	Ea	J	PUP DEAD°	32
Y272	E2			6/17-22	Ea	4	7/23-28	31-41
Y288	W2			8/04-09	WS	6	8/29-9/17	20-44
Y351	W1			6/08	WS	1	7/15-19	37-41
Y354	WC			4/10-5/01	WS	1	5/30-6/02	29-53
Y458	E1			5/11	Ea	. 8	PUP DEAD°	29-55
Y459	E1			6/17	Ea	3	7/29	4.0
Y466	GC			8/08-15	Gi	3 1		42
Y489	E1			5/22			8/31-10/08	2.2
Y502	* E2			7/03	Ea	1	6/24	33
Y517	E2				Ea	1	8/13	41
Y518	W2			5/28	Ea	4	6/29-7/05	32-38
				7/16-19	WS	3	8/16-17	28-32
Y523	E2			6/22	Ea _	3	8/05-06	44-45
Y526	TN			2/06	Te	2	PUP DEAD°	
Y527	E1			6/17	Ea	3	PUP DEAD°	
Y531	E2			8/18	Ea	3	9/26-10/01	
Y535	W2			7/24-30	WS	6	8/29-9/17	30-55
Y543	WC			5/01-04	WS	1	5/08 ^d	4-7
Y552	W2			8/23-29	WS	6	9/26-10/06	28-45
Y559	WC			5/11-19	WS	4	6/25-30	37-50
Y568	W1			6/02-06	WS	2	7/06-14	30-42
Y572	E1			5/28	Ea	1	6/26	29
Y574	EC			4/10-30	Ea	1	5/17-23	17-43
Y576	LO			4/09-5/11	$_{ m LG}$	2	5/18-31 ^e	
Y578	EC	4		3/31-4/10	Ea	2	5/10	30-40
Y580	W1	.0		5/19-22	WS	3	6/25-30	34-42
Y582	TN	14		7/05	Te	. 6	8/08	34
Y583	TC	4		6/10-12	\mathtt{Tr}	1	7/19-26	37-46

Table 12.--Continued.

Adu	lt female		Birth		- Wean	Lactation
ID No.	Temp. ID	No. Date ^a	Islet ^b	Sector	- weam date ^a	period (days)
Y586	TN8	2/04	Te·		PUP DEAD°	
Y598	E10	5/04-05	Ea	2	6/10-14	36-41
Y607	LG3	5/18-31	${f LG}$	2	6/24-7/05	24-48
Y613	W13	5/30-6/02	WS	4	7/06-14	34-45
Y615	E05	4/10-30	Ea	1	5/21	21-41
Y616	W18	7/06-14	WS	6	8/20-23	37-48
Y617	R02	5/01-31	Ro	1	6/24-7/02	
Y622	LG1	<4/09	${f LG}$		5/18-31	>39-52
Y623	W03	4/10-5/01	WS	3	5/30-6/02	
Y624	W05	5/04-08	WS	1	$6/08^{d}$	31-35
Y625	W06	5/04-08	WS	2	6/13-18	36-45
Y629	TN2	5/02	Te	3	6/05	28
Y632	E15	5/28	Ea	2	6/29	32
Y635	TN10	•	Te	2	PUP DEAD°	
Y636	E08	4/30-5/05	Ea	1	6/10-14	36-44
Y637	E22	6/22	Ea	2	7/28-29	36-37
Y641	E03	<3/30	Ea		4/10-30	>11-31
Y645	R07	7/29-8/08	Ro	1	8/08-9/17	
T77F	TN1	2/17	Te	5	3/29-4/02	40-43
	TN11	11/07	Te	5	PUP DEAD°	
	TN12	12/12	Te	2	PUP DEAD°	
	E01	<3/30	Ea		3/31-4/09	
	E09	4/30-5/05	Ea	2	6/10-14	36-45
	E20	6/02-17	Ea	5	7/15-16	28-44
	R00		Ro	1	5/31	
	R01	5/18-31	Ro	1	8/08-9/17	
	R03	<6/17	Ro	1	6/17-24	
	R04	<7/18	Ro	1	7/18-29	
	R05	<7/18	Ro	1 .	7/18-7/29	
	R06	7/18-29	Ro	1	8/08-9/17	
	R0A		Ro	1		
	ROB		Ro	1		
	TN14	1/16	Te		PUP DEAD°	
	TN5	1/22	Te	2	PUP DEAD ^c	
	TN6	2/13	Te	6	PUP DEAD°	
	TN13	3/13	Te		PUP DEAD°	
	TN7	3/17	Te	6	PUP DEADc	
	T01	5/04-11	\mathtt{Tr}	2	6/10	30-37
	T02	5/19-30	Tr	2 .	7/03	34
	W07	5/11-19	WS	3	6/18-25	30-45
	W09	5/11-19	WS	4	6/11	23-31

^aEvent dates are either exact (i.e., 4/21), known to have occurred within a range (i.e., 4/21-4/23), or known to have occurred before or after another date (i.e., <8/24 or >8/30, respectively).

Table 12. -- Continued.

bIslet abbreviations: Ea = East, WS = Whale-Skate, Te = Tern, Tr = Trig, LG = Little Gin, Gi = Gin, Ro = Round, and U = unknown.

^cPups found dead on birth date (see also Table 20).

Pup disappeared (Death No. 25FFS91, Table 21).

dThese two females, Y543 and Y624, were involved in a switch (see Pup fostering case No. 1, 1991). Female Y543 ended up with a dead pup (Death No. 12FFS91, Table 20).

Table 13.--Cohort survival in 1990 and 1991.a

Year		Known births	Pups tagged	Pups removed	No. of resighted	seals d by year
tagged	\mathtt{Sex}	(No.)	(No.)	(No.)b	1990	1991
1984	F M U	51 43 6	50 42	7	30 28	28 26
1985	F M U	39 49 6	38 47	2	25 28	21 23
1986	F M U	50 56 2	48 52	6	30 24	25 22
1987	F M U	57 58 6	51 55	0	31 34	25 30
1988	F M U	62 53 12	62 52	8	28 37	22 22
1989	F M U	54 54 12	50 51	3	37 33	25 24
1990	F M U	39 45 5	38 41	11		19 29

^aThe number resighted also includes seals sighted in 1992 that were not seen in 1990 or 1991. (M = male, F = female, and U = unknown sex).

^bPrematurely weaned pups collected for rehabilitation except in 1990 when 5 additional pups were collected and sent directly to Kure Atoll.

Table 14.--Summary statistics for measurements and mass of weaned pups, 1-year-olds, and 2-year-olds in 1990 and 1991.

			1990						
Age Class	Axil N	lary mean	girth (cm) s.d.	N	<u>Length</u> mean	$\frac{(cm)^b}{s.d.}$	N	<u>Mass</u> mean	(kg) s.d.
Weaned pup 1 year	32 24	100 97	12.0 8.3	32 26	124 140	8.1 7.0	17 26	63 59	21.5 12.4
			1991						
Weaned pup 1 year 2 year	59 26 31	102 90 93	9.5 7.2 8.4	5.8 2.6 3.3	124 135 142	7.2 7.5 9.4	57 26 33	64 52 60	15.5 11.3 15.1

^aN = sample size, s.d. = standard deviation.

bLength is dorsal standard length for weaned pups and standard length for 1- and 2-year-olds.

]	Left ta	g	R	ight tag	g .
ID No.	Sex	Date	New	Old	Old	New	Old	Old
				1990	<u>)</u>			
YF30 YN89	M F	8/03 7/05		F30 N89		F260 N254	F130	·
				<u>199</u> 1	<u>L</u>			
Y309 Y395 Y396 Y405 Y408 Y412 Y413 Y418 Y426 Y427 Y428 Y429 Y436 Y473 Y475 Y475 Y477 YL12 YL34 YL34 YL37 YL49 YL64 YL64 YL71 YL75 YL85	卡MM卡MFMMMMMFFMFMFFMF FFM	8/23 8/30 9/08 8/29 8/23 8/21 8/25 8/29 8/29 8/29 8/29 8/29 8/29 8/29 8/29	T187 K178 K184 K183 K153 K155 K158 K151 K180 K144 K115 K143 K175 K172 K188 K175 K170 L605 L580 L585 L579 L618	T20 K12 K13 K22 K111 K29 K30 K35 K44 K45 K46 K75 K71 L538 L37 L49 L64 L71 L75	L546 L501	T185 K155 K185 K182 K154 K142 K157 K138 K181 K145 K116 K177 K150 K177 K150 K177 L601 L583 L586 L614 L615 L578 L617	T20 K12 K13 K22 K25 K29 K30 K35 K44 K45 K46 K54 K71 K77 K79 L1134 L137 L97	K105 K87 L539
YL88 YL95 TL08 YN09 YN22 YN81 Y496 YF12 YF66	M F M M F M F	5/08 8/23 8/22 8/28 7/24 8/18 8/18 5/15 8/16	L584 L577 L604 L134 N253 N227 N209 N255 F238 F237	L85 L95 L08 N09 N22 N81 N218 F12		L602 L576 L603 L135 N228 N208 N213 N256	L185 L188 L506 L09 N109 N122 N181 N219 F231 F166	
YU08 YU14 YG44	M M F	8/05 5/06 8/22	U220 U127 G200	U08 U14			U108 U114 G144	

Table 16. -- Interisland movement to and from French Frigate Shoals in 1990 and 1991.

 	Tag	No.	t E	, in ([Move	Movement from	Mo	Movement to
No.	L	ద	color	ID No.	class ^a	$\operatorname{Sex}^{\operatorname{b}}$	Location	Date last seen	Location	Date first seen
TS9M				198°	Ą	ΣI	Laysan	06/90/9		7/16/90
X608	5AA	5AB	Tan	160°	ď	Γъι	FFS	17/8	Laysan	/28/9
							Laysan	28/9	FFS	6/90/
							FFS	23/9	Laysan	1/01/
							Laysan	02/9	FFS	/29/9
T77F	SAE	5AF	Tan	132°	Æ,	Ľι	Laysan	08/9	FFS	6/ -/
							FFS	6/ -	Laysan	1/01/9
							Laysan	/01/	FFS	2/23/
							FFS	25/9	Laysan	/21/9
X156	6AG	6AH	Tan	135 ^d	ď	Ľτι	FFS	26/8	Laysan	/31/9
							Laysan	6//0	FFS	/30/9
							FFS	23/9	Laysan	/18/9
Y162					Ą	ഥ	FFS	6/60	Brooks	0/20/
									Banks	4
X635					A	Ľι	FFS	/25/8	Laysan	/20/9
				222°			Laysan	/03/9	FFS	/03/9
X610					Ą	ĽΉ	FFS	/28/9	Laysan	/03/9
TA10	A10		Tan		Ø	Σ	FFS	8/90/	FFS	6/60/
X350		T62	Yellow		A	Σ	FFS	8/25/88	Necker	8/18/91
Y372	T84		Yellow		യ	Σ	FFS	/03/8	Necker	/18/9
							Necker	/18/9	FFS	2/05/
Y401	K18		Yellow		Ø	Σ	FFS	/11/9	Necker	/18/9
Y384	K01	K01	Yellow		Ø	Ēų	FFS	/14/9	Nihoa	/19/9
Y435	K53	K110	Yellow		A	Гщ	FFS	/27/9	Nihoa	/18/9
Y474		K76	Yellow		Ą	ᄄ	FFS	/15/9	Nihoa	/23/9
XN16	N16	N116	Yellow		ഗ	Σ	FFS	6/80/	Nihoa	/18/9
YN37	N37	N137	Yellow		Ь	Ľι	FFS	6/50/	Brooks	/15/9
							Ĺ	, ,	Banks	
1		1	, ,		i	i	Brooks	4/15/91	H.	5/26/91
YF19		F119	Yellow		വ	Ēι	FFS S	/08/8	Nihoa	/23/9
YF47	F47	F147	Yellow		ß	দ	FFS	1/21/91	Nihoa	8/17/91
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Table 16. -- Continued.

F E	Tag No	No.) E		1		Move	Movement from	Σ	Movement to
No.	H	ద	color	ID No.	class ^a	$\operatorname{Sex}^{\operatorname{b}}$	Location	Date last seen	Location	Date first seen
YF55	`	F155	Yellow		တ	Σ	FFS	3/16/89	Nihoa	6
Y504	F206	F207	Yellow		ഗ	压	[I	5/13/90	Necker	8/18/91
							Necker	8/18/91	FFS	9
YF74	F74		Yellow		Ø	Σ	FFS	11/21/90	Nihoa	9

aSize class: A = adult, S = subadult, and J = juvenile.
bSex: M = male; F = female.
cNumbers applied with hair bleach at Laysan Island in 1990.
dNumbers applied with hair bleach at Laysan Island in 1991.

It was probably residing at a "This seal was last positively identified at FFS in 1985. different location.

Table 17. -- Entanglement in debris in 1990 and 1991.

	Extent of restriction	Total ^d Partial ^d Total ^f None ^d
	Part of body entangled	Entrap.c Chest Entrap.e Neck
	Type of debris	Seawall Rope Seawall Net
	Islet	Tern Tern Tern Tern
	ID No.	YU68 YL88 Y580
	Sex ^è	ZZZĿ
1 .	Size class ^a	PRRA
	Date	1/11/90 4/16/91 6/13/91 7/21/91
-,	No.	01FFS90 01FFS91 02FFS91 03FFS91

A = adult, S = subadult, and J = juvenile. aSize class:

^bSex: M = male; F = female.
^cEntrapment behind seawall.

dThese seals were disentangled and released.

*Entrapped in seawall. *Found dead, Death No. 18FFS91, Table 20.

Table 18. -- Injuries from January 1-December 31, 1990.

			¥								male			male						1e		¥					1e						
	Cause	P-Lg.shark	P-c.c.shark	P-Lg.shark	P-Lg.shark	P-Lg.shark	P-Lg.shark	P-Lg.shark		Unknown	P-Adult ma	Unknown	Unknown	P-Adult ma	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown		P-Adult male	P-Lg.shark	P-c.c.shark	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	P-Adult male		Unknown	P-Lg.shark	P-Lg.shark	P-Lg.shark	1
	Condition	fresh	fresh	fresh	healing	fresh	fresh	fresh			fresh	fresh	healing	fresh	fresh	fresh	fresh	fresh		fresh	fresh	fresh	fresh	fresh	fresh	fresh	fresh	fresh	fresh	fresh	older	fresh	
Dimension(cm.) ^f	LxW/Diam	12.0x5.0	10.0	30x17.5		22.5x2.5		20.0x7.5	12.5	15x7.5	2/3 dorsum	3.0x3.0	1.0x0.5	1.0×1.0	3.0x?	0.25x0.25	1.0×0.5	2.0×1.0	1.0×1.0	1/2 dorsum	4.0x?	2.5	10.0x5.0	1.0x1.0	1.0x?	2.0x?		1.0×2.0	0.5x?	4.0x2.0	15.0x10.0	2.0x1.0	
Dimena	Depth	2.5	3.75	5.0		1.8		5.0		3.75				0.5			0.25				0.5		0.5		0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	2.0	2.5	1.0	
\$ 	on body	1.lateral	head	r.lateral	1.hindflip.	r.hindflip.	r.foreflip.	r.lateral		r.hindflip.	dorsal	head	r.hindflip.	dorsal	head	head	head	r.hindflip.		dorsal	dorsal	head	head	head	1.hindflip.	head	dorsal	head	head	right neck	left head	1. lateral	
, , ,	type ^d	gaping, lac.	circular	gaping	amputation	lacerations		gaping		gaping	lacerations	abrasion	abrasion	gaping	laceration	puncture	gaping	abrasions		abrasions	lacerations	circular	gaping	laceration	abrasion	gaping	abrasions	gaping (4)	laceration	gaping	gaping	laceration	
£	No.	¥059			YL13			Y304		YU34	X150	٠									Y423		Y482	X378	YU88					X147		Y524	
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	Date	2/05	2/07	2/11	2/22	3/09		3/14		3/30	2/06	2/08	2/08	2/08	2/08	2/08	2/09	2/09		5/10	5/10	5/11	5/13	5/13	5/14		5/15		5/14	6/18	6/22	6/22	
	Islet	Дe	Д	Н	H e	T.		H e		Ð.	Не	Sh	MS	WS	H H	Ð	ρŗ	Sh		He	Di	Dį	Вħ	Ωį	WS		Ğį		H H	Te	Те	He Te	
7 0 1	No.	00	01	02	03	04a	04b	05a	05b	90	07	80	60	10	11	12	13	14a	14b	15	16	17	18	19	20a	70p	21a	21b	22	23	24	25	

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	Cause		Unknown	Unknown	P-seal bite	P-Lg.shark	P-seal bite	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	P-Lg.shark		P-Lg.shark	Unknown	P-Adult male	P-Adult male		P-seal bite	P-Lg.shark	Unknown	P-seal bite		P-Lg.shark	P-Lg.shark	Unknown	P-Adult male	Unknown	P-entanglemnt	Unknown	K-Lg.shark	Unknown	P-Lg.shark	
·	Condition		fresh	fresh	fresh	older	older	fresh	fresh	fresh	older		older	older	older	fresh	fresh	fresh	fresh	fresh	fresh	fresh	fresh	fresh	fresh	fresh	fresh	fresh	infected	fresh	older	older	older
Dimension(cm.)	LxW/Diam		12.0xo.5	2.0x0.5	2.0x0.5	12.0x8.0	25.0x12.0	6.0x2.0	3.0x2.0	3.0x1.5	12.5×10.0	2.5x5.0	7.0x?	1.0x1.0	0.5	5.0x0.25		7.0x6.0	6.0x1.0	1.0x0.25	3.0x1.0		0.0x3.0	20.0x20.0	10.03.0	15.0x3.0	10.0x5.0	7.5x?		30.0x20.0		27.5×7.5	
Dimens	Depth		0.5	0.5	0.5	7.0	7.0	0.5		0.5	1.5		1.0	0.75	<0.5			2.5	2.0	0.3	0.5		7.0	4.5	2.0	1.0	1.2			2.5		7.5	
, t	on body	right dorsal	ventral	left eye	1.foreflip.	r. lateral	dorsal	r.hindflip.	1.hindflip.	r.hindflip.	dors.post.	r.hindflip.	1.hindflip.	1. eyelid	dors.post.	dorsal bil.	1.hindflip.	dorsal	r.hindflip.	left head	r.hindflip.	r.hindflip.	r.lateral	r.lateral	1.hindflip.	dors.post.	left.post.	left dors.	left eye	dorsal	l.foreflip.	r.lateral	r.lateral
	type ^d		abrasions	laceration	abrasion	gaping	abcess	laceration	part.amput.	laceration	gaping	laceration	laceration	abcess	punctures	lacerations	part.amput.	abcess	laceration	laceration	laceration	part.amput.	gaping	gaping	laceration	lacerations	gaping	lacerations	infection	gaping	part.amput.	gaping	lacerations
£	No.												YN48					X616		Y496							X450	X 068	X308		X147	X615	٠
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	Date		6/22	6/22	6/18	6/30	6/30	6/27	7/01	7/01	7/11		7/03	2/08	7/30	7/30		7/27	1/28	7/28	8/01		90/8	8/02	8/10	8/11	1/04	1/11	3/22	9/15	8/17	12/19	
	Islet*		H H	Ð	н	H H	WS	Ð	Te	H H	H e		eg Eg	Ηœ	Ţe	He		WS	Je	Цe	H H		H	ij	Ωį	Те	WS	Те	Те	Пe	H H	He	
ار د د	No.	26b	27	78	29	30	31	32	33	34	35a	35b	36	37	38	39a	39b	40	41	42	43a	43b	44	45	46	47	48	49	20	51	25	53a	53b

Table 18. -- Continued.

	Condition Cause	infected P-Lg.shark	fresh P-Adult male	fresh P-Adult male
Dimension(cm.)	Depth LxW/Diam Condition	5.0x?	8.0	0.9
Dimen	Depth	2.5	0.5	1.5
1	on body	head	dorsal	dorsal
	tinjuty type ^d	lacerations	lacerations	lacerations
£	No.	YG64	YGX9	YG57
	Sex	Det	×	×
() 1. 0	class	м	×	×
	Date	10/28	6/23	8/09
	Islet	Te	WS	WS
7 0 10	No.	54	22	26

'Island: Te = Tern, Ea = East, WS = Whale-Skate, Tr = Trig, Di = Disappearing, and Sh = Shark. b Size clags: A = adult, S = subadult, J = juvenile, and W = weaned pup.

'Sex: F = female, M = male, and U = unknown.

'Injury type: amput. = amputation, lacer. = laceration, lg. = large, part. = partial, and punct. = puncture. 'Location: ant. = anterior, dors. = dorsal, flip. = flipper, later. = lateral, l. = left, post. = posterior, and r. = right.

Dimension: LXW = length by width, Diam. = diameter. A single number indicates a diameter. Cause: K = known, P = probable.

Table 19. -- Injuries from January 1-December 31, 1991.

τ 0 1			4		Ę	Tritital	1 1	Dimen	Dimension (cm.)		
No.	Islet*	Date	classb	Sex	No.	type ^d	on body	Depth	LxW/Diam	Condition	Cause
-	H O	1/4	A	ĵs,	¥367	gaping	r. mid-lat.	5.0	12.0×4.0	fresh	P-lg.shark
2a	H H	1/4	ď	Þ		lacerations	ant. ventral	2.5	37.0x1.0	fresh	Unknown
2 p						puncture	r. ant.lat.	2.5		fresh	Unknown
2 c						broken jaw	head			fresh	Unknown
ო	Ð	1/21	4	×	Y408	puncture	ant. ventral	2.5		fresh	K-fish.hook
4,	Ð	1/22	A	Dz.		laceration	ant. ventral	3.7	7.5x1.2	fresh	Unknown
5a	Нe	1/23	æ	×		laceration	1. head	1.2	7.5x0.5	older	Unknown
2p						puncture	1. mouth	2.0	5.0x5.0	fresh	K-fish.hook
9	E e	1/29	ď	×	TT08	laceration	1. ant.lat.	0.5	5.0x0.5	fresh	Unknown
7	H	2/06	æ	ĵz,	X526	laceration	vent. neck	1.0	5.0x1.0	fresh	Unknown
8 8	Ð	4/01	þ	×	YU33	laceration	1. post.lat.	1.0	7.0x1.0	fresh	Unknown
8						gaping	1. hindflip.	0.5	12.0x2.0	fresh	Unknown
თ	Пе	2/26	ល	×	Z18	gaping	r. neck	1.5	12.0x7.0	healing	Unknown
10	H e	4/01	Ø	×	Y413	gaping	1. hindflip.	1.5	6.0x1.5	fresh	P-lg.shark
11	Ð	4/02	ď	×	206	laceration	1. head	0.5	1.0x2.0	healing	Unknown
12	ភ្ជ	4/09	4	×	Z 23	laceration	1. mouth			fresh	Unknown
13	E E	4/10	ט	阵	YG52	gaping	1. shoulder	0.5	1.0x1.5	fresh	Unknown
14	Ka	4/10	æ	ĵΞı	Y574	circular	mid-ventral	1.5	5.0	fresh	P-c.c.shark
12	MS	4/10	ď	×	X427	lacerations	1. foreflip.	<0.5	2.0x<0.5	fresh	Unknown
16	H H	4/02	æ	¥	202	laceration	1. mouth	<0.5	1.0x<0.5	fresh	Unknown
17	Te	4/05	ď	×	Z 34	laceration	ant. vent.	1.0	5.0x0.5	fresh	Unknown
18	H.	4/02	Æ	ľu,	X626	laceration	1. post.lat.	1.0	3.0x0.5	fresh	Unknown
19	H H	4/02	4	ß.	Z13	lacerations	1. head	1.0	2.0x0.5	fresh	Unknown
20	Б	4/01	æ	<u>P</u>	217	lacerations	mid. ventral	1.0	10.0×1.0	fresh	Unknown
21	WS	4/10	ď	(ka	250	laceration	1. head	0.5	2.0x0.5	fresh	Unknown
22	Te	5/04	ď	ĵu,		circular	post. vent.	1.0	3.0x2.5	fresh	P-c.c.shark
23	H H	5/04	כי	ſz,	YG74	laceration	ant. vent.	<0.5	5.0x0.5	fresh	Unknown
24	Тe	2/08	Ø	ĵt _i	Y347	lacerations	r. head	0.5	9.0×1.0	fresh	P-lg.shark
25	J.	2/08	ď	P4		gaping	1. post.lat.	6.0	10.0x11.0	fresh	P-lg.shark
56	Te	2/11	ď	×		gaping	1. post.lat.	8.0	22.0x15.0	fresh	P-lg.shark
26b						gaping	mid-ventral				
27	Ð	2/16	4	Pa	X128	gaping	r. post.lat.	2.5	20.0x20.0	fresh	P-lg.shark

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	Cause		P-lg.shark		Unknown	•	Unknown	P-lg.shark			P-c.c.shark	Unknown	P-lg.shark	Unknown	Unknown	P-adult male	P-adult male	Unknown	Unknown	P-lg.shark	P-lg.shark	P-lg.shark		Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	P-seal bite	P-lg.shark	P-lg.shark	Unknown	P-c.c.shark	P-lg.shark	Unknown
	Condition		fresh		fresh		fresh	fresh			fresh	fresh	fresh	since, 90	recent	fresh	fresh	fresh	fresh	fresh	fresh	fresh	since'90	fresh	fresh	fresh	fresh	healing	fresh	fresh	fresh	fresh	fresh
Dimension (cm.)	LxW/Diam		15.0x3.0		10.0x5.0		12.0x4.0	20.0x7.5	-		6.0x4.0	2.0x0.5	8.0x1.0	7.0x5.0	5.0x2.0	10.0x0.5	8.0x0.5	6.0x1.0	10.0x1.5	12.0x8.0	4.0x1.0		2.0x0.5	6.0x1.0	3.5x0.5	1.5x1.0	10.0×1.0		6.0x1.5	8.0x0.5	8.0	8.0x2.0	4.5x1.5
Dimen	Depth		2.5		5.0		5.0	4.0			2.0	0.5	1.5		0.5	0.5	0.5	1.5	1.0	4.0	1.0	0.5		1.5	0.5	0.5	0.5		1.0	0.5	2.5	1.5	0.5
	Location on body	mid-ventral	mid-ventral	mid-ventral	r. post.lat.	vent. neck	snout (head)	1. lateral	r. lateral	1. foreflip.	vent. head	r. mouth	hindflipers	r. foreflip.	1. hindflip.	dorsal	dorsal	1. foreflip.	vent. head	post. dors.	r. hindflip.	post. vent.	1. head	1. head	r. hindflip.	1. head	r. dors. ant.	1. hindflip.	dors. post	mid. ventral	neck	vent. anter.	head
	Injury type ^d	lacerations	gaping	lacerations	gaping	lacerations	gaping	gaping	lacerations	lacerations	gaping	laceration	gaping	amputation	laceration	lacerations	lacerations	laceration	laceration	gaping	laceration	abrasion	laceration	lacerations	lacerations	laceration	laceration	part.amput.	laceration	lacerations	circular	laceration	laceration
	e š				Y482		-				270		Y475	X279	X340	X 595	LAY.	XG80					X 597	X615	XL95	X08	X16	X18	X20	Y601	Y145	XL12	X44
	Sex		×		Ŀ		Ħ	Þ			ß,	ĵs,	ĵt _i	(h)	Ħ	Ēų	ĵz,	×		×			ഥ	ĵĿ,	Þ	×	×	×	×	Þ	je,	×	×
	Size class ^b		æ		æ		4	Ą			K	4	Ø	4	4	Æ	æ	ט		4			4	4	ល	4	æ	K	Ø	Æ	4	Ø	4
	Date		2/18		2/18		2/17	2/26			2/08	5/04	5/16	5/16	5/19	5/21	5/21	5/23		5/22			5/26	5/27	5/27	5/28	5/28	5/28	5/29	5/27	5/25	5/30	\
	Islet*		H e		Пе		Те	H e			WS	Sh	Тe	Тe	Sh	Не	H e	Тө		E			Пe	Дe	Те	Те	Те	H e	H e	H H	Пe	Sh	Te
	Field No.	27b	28	28b	29	29b	30	31	31b	31c	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	39b	40	40b	40c	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	20	51

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No.	Islet*	Date	class ^b	Sex	No.	type ^d	on body	Depth	LxW/Diam	Condition	Cause
52	Те	6/02	þ	Þ	YU33	lacerations	dorsal post.	<0.5	6.0x0.5	fresh	P-adult male
53	Ir	5/30	ď	ĵε _ι	277	laceration	1. head	1.5	7.0x0.7	fresh	Unknown
54	Тe	6/04	4	[Iz ₄	X593	circular	ventral	1.5	5.0	fresh	Unknown
52	Ð	6/04	K	ſĿ,	X004	laceration	r. foreflip.	1.0	3.0x2.0	fresh	Unknown
26	Ð	6/07	Ø	Þ	Y473	laceration	1. hindflip.	1.0	5.0x1.5	fresh	Unknown
22	Ro	6/17	×	Þ		gaping	dorsal post.	6.0	20.0x6.0	fresh	P-lg.shark
58	Ka	6/17	ល	ĵ _k		laceration	mid. ventral	1.0	5.0x1.5	healing	P-lg.shark
29	WS	6/18	Ø	Þ		gaping	1. hindflip.	7.0	7.0x3.5	fresh	P-lg.shark
9	Пе	6/05	Ø	ľ4	YF79	laceration	1. hindflip.	1.0	3.0x1.0	fresh	Unknown
61	H H	6/07	4	ĵz,	X581	lacerations	dorsal	0.5	10.0x0.5	fresh	P-adult male
62	H e	6/07	Ø	×	YL42	lacerations	r. lateral	0.5		fresh	Unknown
63	MS	80/9	æ	ĵz,	286	lacerations	r. hindflip.	0.5	6.0x0.5	fresh	P-lg.shark
64a	Ra	6/22	Æ	ĵz,		gaping	mid. dorsal	3.0	8.0x4.0	infected	
64b						lacerations	right mid.	0.5	5.0x0.5	fresh	P-adult male
65	Ð	6/10	æ	ĵzi	X128	lacerations	dorsal	0.5	6.0x0.5	fresh	P-adult male
99	H H	6/10	4	jz,		lacerations	dorsal	0.5	8.0x0.5	fresh	P-adult male
67	H H	6/15	Æ	¥	Y418	lacerations	dorsal	0.5	4.0x0.5	fresh	P-seal bite
89	H H	91/9	Ø	[24	XL95	puncture	dorsal	1.0	1.0	fresh	P-seal bite
69	H H	91/9	æ	ĵz _i	X562	lacerations	dorsal	0.5	18.0x0.5	fresh	P-adult male
70	8	91/9	Æ	Ŀ	290	lacerations	dorsal	0.5	7.0x0.5	fresh	P-adult male
71	H.	91/9	4	Ŀ	X562	laceration	neck	0.5	4.0x0.5	fresh	P-seal bite
72	H H	91/9	Ø	Ľ	X411	laceration	post. dors.	0.5	6.0x0.5	fresh	P-adult male
73	Те	91/9	4	ĽΨ		gaping	1. hindflip.	0.5	2.0x2.0	fresh	P-seal bite
74	Те	6/17	ď	×	X129	laceration	1. lateral			fresh	Unknown
75	Te	6/27	ď	βų	277	lacerations	dorsal	0.5	9.0x0.5	fresh	P-adult male
92	Тe	6/27	4	ſzą	YL10	lacerations	r. head	1.0	2.5x8.0	fresh	P-lg.shark
7.7	H H	6/27	4	×	X129	lacerations	ventral	1.0	8.0x0.5	fresh	Unknown
78	1	6/28	Æ	[k _i	X578	gaping	r. hindflip.	2.0	3.0x2.0	fresh	P-lg.shark
79	WS	6/30	4	ľΣŧ	Y545	gaping	neck	2.0	18.0x8.0	fresh	P-lg.shark
80	He	90//	Ø	¥	X395	laceration	mid-ventral	0.5	3.5x0.5	fresh	Unknown
81a	H H	90/1	Ø	[b ₄	Y634	gaping	1. hindflip.	2.0	6.0x2.0	fresh	P-lg.shark
81b						lacerations	dorsal post.	1.0	8.0x1.0	fresh	P-lg.shark

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No.	Islet*	Date	class ^b	Sex	No.	typed	on body	Depth	LxW/Diam	Condition	Cause
82a	Дe	4/09	Æ	Þ		laceration	dorsal mid	2.0	6.0×3.0	recent	P-adult male
82b						lacerations	left-mid	0.5	10.0x0.5	recent	P-adult male
83	EXI O	6/17	4	Ēų	E20	lacerations	vent. post.	0.5	2.0x0.5	fresh	P-lg.shark
84	Ð	6/30	4	Ēι	X310	lacerations	head	1.0	5.0x2.0	fresh	P-lg.shark
82	Te	6/30	b	×	X 008	gaping	r. hindflip.	1.0	3.0x1.5	fresh	P-lg.shark
86a	Те	7/10	Ø	×	X413	lacer(bite)	vent. post.	1.5	5.0x3.0	recent	P-lg.shark
86b						laceration	r. hindflip.	1.0	8.0x1.5	recent	P-lg.shark
87	H	1/21	ט	×	YU18	gaping	1. hindflip.	2.0		fresh	P-lg.shark
888	Te	1/28	ם	×	XG80	laceration	r. neck	0.5	1.0x0.5	fresh	Unknown
98						laceration	r. mouth	0.5	1.0x0.5	fresh	Unknown
83	Тe	2/17	Ą	 E4 -		circular	1. lateral	1.0	7.5×7.5	fresh	P-c.c.shark
90 a	Te	7/21	ď	[t ₄	X580	other	neck	0.5	30.0x0.5	fresh	K-net
406						laceration	neck	1.5	3.0x1.0	fresh	K-researcher
91a	Ð	7/17	Æ	ľs,	X586	gaping	dorsal	2.5	14.0x8.0	fresh	P-adult male
91b						gaping	dorsal	1.5	6.0x3.0	fresh	P-adult male
910						abrasions	r. lateral	0.5	6.0x0.5	fresh	P-adult male
85	Ð	6/30	Æ	ſĿ,	X366	lacerations	dorsal	0.5	5.0x0.5	fresh	P-adult male
93	H H	90/4	æ	ſz,	Y543	laceration	vent. ant.	1.0	6.0x0.7	fresh	Unknown
94	Те	4/09	Ø	×	X485	laceration	r. head	1.0	3.0x0.5	fresh	P-lg.shark
95	H e	1/10	Ø	[tz;	YN18	laceration	mid-dorsal	0.5	7.0x0.5	fresh	P-adult male
96	⊕	7/15	∢.	ĵz,	Y532	laceration	1. hindflip.	1.0	2.0x1.0	fresh	P-seal bite
97a	Ð.	7/25	4	[k _j	X536	gaping	dorsal	7.0	9.0x6.0	old	P-adult male
97b						lacerations	right mid	1.0	4.0x1.5	recent	P-adult male
86	He	7/22	Æ	×	X83	lacerations	1. head	1.0	9.0x1.0	fresh	P-seal bite
66	Te	7/19	Æ	ĵt,	X526	laceration	dorsal	0.5		fresh	P-adult male
100	Те	4	Æ	×	X330	laceration	dorsal	0.5		fresh	P-seal bite
101	H H	7/27	4	Ŀ	X308	laceration	dorsal	0.5	12.0x0.5	fresh	P-adult male
102	He	7/27	A	<u>Cu</u>	X614	lacerations	mid-dorsal	0.5	10.0x0.5	fresh	P-adult male
103	Ð	7/25	æ	Ľ	X612	lacerations	mid-dorsal	0.5	7.0x0.5	fresh	P-adult male
104	He	7/30	A	ĵs,	X227	lacerations	mid-dorsal	0.5	12.0x0.5	fresh	P-adult male
105	Н	7/29	đ	¥	X61	circular	dorsal ant.	1.0	7.0×7.0	fresh	P-c.c.shark
106	9	1/30	æ	ſα	¥629	lacerations	1. head	1.0	4.0x0.5	fresh	P-lg.shark

Table 19. -- Continued.

77 					£	- - - -	\$ ()	Dimens	Dimension(cm.) ^f		
No.	Islet	Date	class ^b	Sex	No.	tiljury type ^d	on body	Depth	LxW/Diam	Condition	Cause
107	БЯ	7/21	ם	Pa	YG44	part. amp.	1. hindflip.		3.0×3.0	fresh	P-lg.shark
108a	WS	8/04	æ	ĵĿι	Y545	lacerations	r. mid	1.0	6.0x1.0	recent	P-lg.shark
108b						laceration	1. ant.	1.0	4.0x1.0	fresh	P-lg.shark
109	Te	8/09	K	[kg	Y543	laceration	dors. head	1.0	5.0x2.0	fresh	P-lg.shark
110	Те	60/8	Æ	Per	X327	laceration	dors. post.	0.5	6.0x0.5	fresh	P-adult male
111	Te	8/07	K	ĵu,	X180	laceration	dorsal	0.5	12.0x0.5	fresh	P-adult male
112	WS	8/09	K	[kg	¥465	laceration	r. post.	1.5	5.0x1.0	recent	Unknown
113	T.	8/09	Æ	ß4	290	gaping	mid-dorsal	7.0	3.0x3.0	recent	P-adult male
114	MS	8/09	Ø	×	YL47	laceration	vent. head	1.0	10.0x0.5	fresh	P-lg.shark
115	WS	8/09	æ	ĵz,	X559	laceration	r. h. f.	1.5	4.0x0.7	fresh	P-lg.shark
116	ρį	80/8	Ø	ĵ _{is}	XN58	gaping	dorsal	12.0	90.0x45.0	fresh	P-adult male
117a	Te	8/18	A	ß4	X279	gaping	mid-dorsal	7.0	60.0×20.0	fresh	P-adult male
117b						part.amput.	r. foreflip.		15.0x13.0	fresh	P-lg.shark
117c						gaping	r. post.	7.0	15.0x8.0	recent	P-lg.shark
118	H.	8/13	K	[k ₄	¥624	lacerations	post. vent.	1.0	4.0x0.5	fresh	P-lg.shark
119	H H	8/13	ď	jz,	X272	lacerations	ant. vent.	0.5	2.0x0.5	fresh	P-lg.shark
120	WS	2/08	Æ	ĵĿ,	X625	circular	mid-vent.	1.5	diam.4.0	fresh	P-c.c.shark
121	Te	8/16	Ø	ĵt _i	X392	gaping	r. eye	5.0	3.0x2.0	fresh	P-lg.shark
122	He	8/16	Ø	ſΞŧ	X347	part.amput.	1. foreflip.		5.0x3.0	fresh	P-lg.shark
123	H.	8/16	Ø	×	96NX	laceration	vent. neck	7.0	10.0x2.0	fresh	P-lg.shark
124	E B	8/20	4	ĵεį	X266	lacerations	post. left	0.5	5.0x0.5	fresh	P-adult male
125	Dį	8/12	Æ	ße,		gaping	post. left	1.5	20.0×7.0	recent	P-lg.shark
126	Di	8/12	Ω	Þ		laceration	left head	1.0	6.0x2.0	fresh	Unknown
127	Te	8/27	4	×	X88	lacerations	1. foreflip.	0.5	6.0x2.0	recent	P-lg.shark
128	Те	8/27	Ø	×	YF05	gaping	snout	7.0	7.0x5.0	fresh	P-lg.shark
129	H e	8/27	Ø	×	VN90	gaping	mid-dorsal	7.0	30.0x10.0	recent	P-adult male
130	H H	8/22	4	P4	X145	lacerations	post. dors.	0.5	10.0x0.5	fresh	P-adult male
131a	Te	8/24	4	×		gaping	ant. vent.	2.0	17.0x1.5	fresh	P-lg.shark
131b						lacerations	ant. vent.	1.0	4.0x0.5	fresh	P-lg.shark
132	E e	8/24	Æ	ľΨ	293	lacerations	mid-left	0.5	8.0x0.5	fresh	P-adult male
133	Те	8/26	ď	ĵ <u>u</u>	X103	gaping	vent. neck	2.0	18.0x6.0	fresh	P-lg.shark
134	Тө	8/26	4	<u> </u>	Y272	lacerations	dorsal	0.5	8.0x0.5	fresh	P-adult male

Table 19. -- Continued.

Field			Size		A	Injurv	Location	Dimen	Dimension (cm.)			
No.	Islet	Date	class ^b	Sex	No.	typed	on body	Depth	LxW/Diam	Condition	Cause	
135	H _e	7/13	Ø	×	X75	laceration	1. hindflip.	0.5	9.0x1.5	fresh	P-1g.shark	
136a	Te	8/27	Æ	×		gaping		2.0	10.0×2.0	fresh	אימלם ברים	
136b						gaping		3.0	7.0×2.0	fresh	Tracks PI-O	
136c						lacerations	-	1.5	7.0×1.0	fresh	D-12 shark	
137	K K	8/28	ט	[t ₄	X515	gaping		; ;		fresh	יוייים הם -0	
	Di	8/31	Ø	×	YN63	gaping		1.5	10.0x8.0	recent	E-rg.smark P-adult male	
139	Tr	8/29	p	×		lacerations		1.5	3.0×1.0	fresh	P-lq.shark	
140	H e	8/30	Ø	ľ¥ι	X411	gaping		3.0	10.0x3.0	fresh	P-C. G. Shark	
141	H H	9/03	Æ	ĵz,		lacerations	dorsal	0.5	10.0x0.5	fresh	D-adult male	
142a	H	9/02	æ	ĵε		gaping		2.0	4.0x2.0	fresh	P-lq.shark	
142b						part.amput.	1. hindflip.		7.0x6.0	fresh	P-1g.shark	
143a	⊕ H	10/12	ß	×	Y418	lacerations	r. neck	1.2	12.0×1.2	fresh	P-lq.shark	
143b		•				lacerations	r. hindflip.	1.2	4.0x1.0	fresh	P-lg.shark	
144	H I	5/30	4	Ľų	¥638	gaping	r. lateral		20.0x2.0	healed	P-lg.shark	
145	0	9/11		Da,		gaping	post.dors.	3.0	14.0x6.0	fresh	P-lg.shark	55
146	Ð	11/07		Þ		gaping	mid-dors.	1.0	29.0x5.5	fresh	P-adult male	5
147	Пe	11/14		Έι		laceration	r. hindflip.	0.5	5.2x1.0	fresh	Unknown	
148	Те	11/28	Ø	×		laceration	hindflippers	1.5	11.0x1.0	fresh	P-lg.shark	
149a	Ð	11/28	Æ	×	X448	gaping		4.0	12.0x?	fresh	P-1g.shark	
149b	ı					gaping	r. mid-lat.	3.0	15.0x?	fresh	P-1g.shark	
120	Н Н	12/05	1 20	×		gaping	r. snout	0.5	6.0x2.0	fresh	P-1g.shark	
ToTa	S.	6/02	℥	Cz,	VZ00	lacerations	dorsal	1.0	6.0x1.0	fresh	P-adult male	
TSTD						gaping	ventral	1.5	8.0x6.0	fresh	P-adult male	
152	WS	6/02	≱	×		lacerations	dorsal	0.5	6.0x0.5	fresh	P-adult male	
153a	WS	90/9	*	×	4 209	laceration	dorsal	0.5	12.0x0.5	fresh		
153b	1					laceration	ventral	0.5	12.0x0.5	fresh		
154a	S.	80/9	×	Ē	YZ12	lacerations	dorsal	0.5	7.0×0.5	fresh	P-adult male	
154b						laceration	1. foreflip.	1.0	3.0x1.0	fresh		

¹Island: Te = Tern, Ea = East, WS = Whale-Skate, Tr = Trig, Di = Disappearing, Ro = Round, Sh = Shark, and LG = Little

Gin. bize class: A = adult, S = subadult, J = juvenile, and W = weaned pup.

Table 19. -- Continued.

'Sex: F = female, M = male, and U = unknown.

'Injury type: amput. = amputation, lacer. = laceration, lg. = large, part. = partial, and punct. = puncture. "Location: ant. = anterior, dors. = dorsal, flip. = flipper, later. = lateral, l. = left, post. = posterior, and r. = right.

'Dimension: LxW = length by width, Diam. = diameter. A single number indicates a diameter.

 6 Cause: K = known, P = probable.

Table 20.--Deaths and removals in 1990 and 1991.a

10010 20.	Deacing air	a remove	AID 1.	11 1))	o and	1 1//1.
Death No.	Death date ^b	Island found ^c	ID No.	Size	Sex	Probable cause of death
		19:	90			
01FFS90	3/30/90	Te	YU34	J	М	Emaciation
02FFS90	3/31/90	Te	Y497	J	F	Unknown
03FFS90	1/29/90	Te		Α	M	Unknown
04FFS90	5/06/90	Ea	YGX7	P	M	Unknown
05FFS90	5/07/90	Tr	YU36	J	M	Unknown
06FFS90	3/01/90	Te		Α	M	Shark bite
07FFS90	3/27/90	Ea		S	M	Unknown
08FFS90	5/07/90	Di	Y438	Α	M	Unknown
09FFS90	5/08/90	Ea	YF51	J	F	Emaciation
10FFS90	2/12/90	Ea	YF71	· J	M	Unknown
11FFS90 ^d	6/23/90	WS	YGX9	W	M	Drowning
12FFS90 ^d	7/29/90	Ea	YGX8	P	F	Crushed
13FFS90 ^d	8/09/90	WS	YG57	W	M	Drowning
14FFS90	2/05/90	Te	YGX3	P	U	Unknown
15FFS90	1/11/90	Te	YGX1	P	U	Unknown
16FFS90	2/17/90	Te	YGX2	P	U	Unknown
17FFS90	3/09/90	Te	YGX4	P	M	Unknown
18FFS90	3/22/90	Te	YGX5	P	U	Unknown
19FFS90	3/27/90	Te	YGX6	P	ប	Unknown
20FFS90 21FFS90	1/04/90	WS	YN02	J	M	Unknown
22FFS90	10/11/90 11/25/90	Tr Te	YN99	J	M	Emaciation
2211390	11/25/90	16	YGXA	P	M	Unknown
		199	91			
AFFS91	1/17/91	WS	YZXM	Р	U	Unknown
01FFS91	1/22/91	Te	YZXA	P	U	Unknown
02FFS91	2/04/91	Te	YZXB	P	M	Unknown
03FFS91	2/06/91	Te	YZXC	P	M	Unknown
04FFS91	2/13/91	Te	YZXD	P	F	Crushed
05FFS91	2/22/91	\mathtt{Tr}		Α	M	Unknown
06FFS91	2/22/91	WS		Α	M	Unknown
BFFS91	3/13/91	Te	YZXN	P	F	Unknown
07FFS91	3/16/91	Te		A	M	Old age
08FFS91	3/17/91	Te	YZXE	P	F	Unknown
09FFS91	3/30/91	Ea		J	F	Shark bite
10FFS91 ^d	4/29/91	Ea	YZXF	P	M	Unknown
11FFS91	5/11/91	Ea	YZXG	P	M	Unknown
12FFS91 ^d	5/08/91	WS	YZXH	P	F	Unknown
13FFS91	6/02/91	WS	YZ00	W	F	Unknown
14FFS91 ^d	6/02/91	WS	YZX0	W	M	Drowning
15FFS91 ^d	6/06/91	WS	YZ09	W	M	Drowning
16FFS91 ^d	6/08/91	WS	YZ12	W	F	Drowning
17FFS91 ^d	6/13/91	WS	Y267	A	M	Removed (Euthanized)
18FFS91 ^d	6/13/91	Te	YL88	S	M	Unknown

Table 20.--Continued.

Death No.	Death date ^b	Island found ^c	ID No. S	Size	Sex	Probable cause of death
19FFS91	6/17/91	Ea	YZXI	P	М	Unknown
20FFS91	9/ /91	Te	Y128	Α	F	Old age
21FFS91 ^d	10/12/91	Te	Y418	S	M	Unknown
22FFS91	10/14/91	Te	YZXJ	P	F	Unknown
23FFS91	11/07/91	Te	YZXK	P	U	Unknown
24FFS91	12/12/91	Te	YZXL	P	U	Unknown
28FFS91	08/07/91	Ea	Y634	S	F	Removed (Relocated)

^aA = adult, S = subadult, J = juvenile, W = weaned pup, P = nursing pup, F = female, M = male, and U = unknown sex.

bThe seals were found dead on this date.

^cThe island abbreviations are: Te = Tern, Ea = East, Tr = Trig,

Di = Disappearing, and WS = Whale-Skate.

dThese seals were necropsied.

Table 21.--Probable seal deaths in 1991 (P = nursing pup).

Field No.	Date last observed	ID No.	Size	Sex	Probable cause of death
25FFS91	5/10/91	YZD1	P	. บ	Unknown/disappeared
26FFS91	5/18/91	YZD2	P	U	Unknown/disappeared
27FFS91	8/14/91	YZD3	$\mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{p}}$	U	Unknown/disappeared

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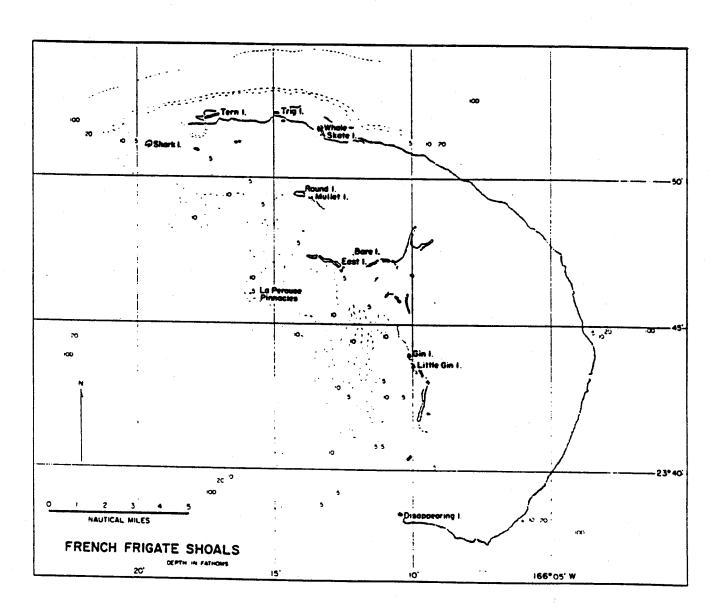


Figure 1.--Permanent islands at French Frigate Shoals.

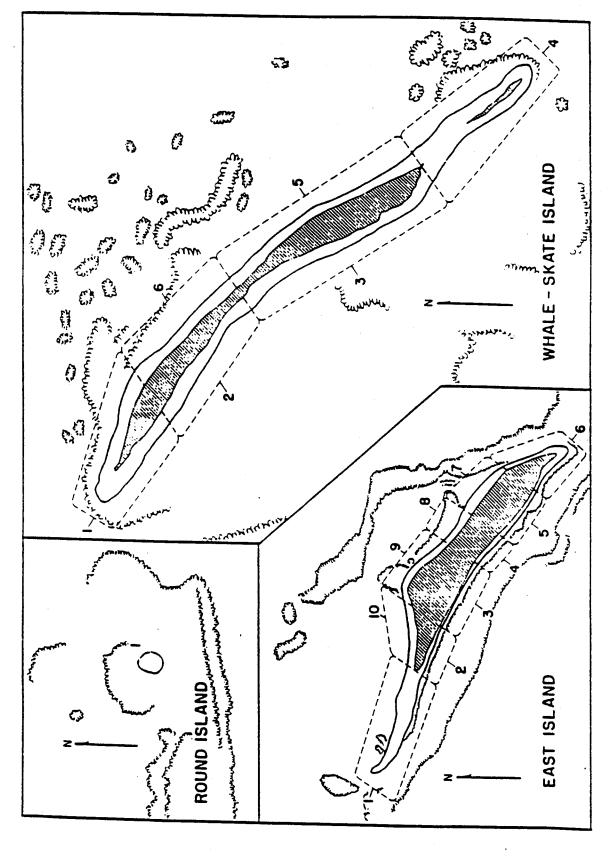


Figure 2.--The major pupping islands; East, Whale-Skate, and Round, divided into sectors used in censuses.

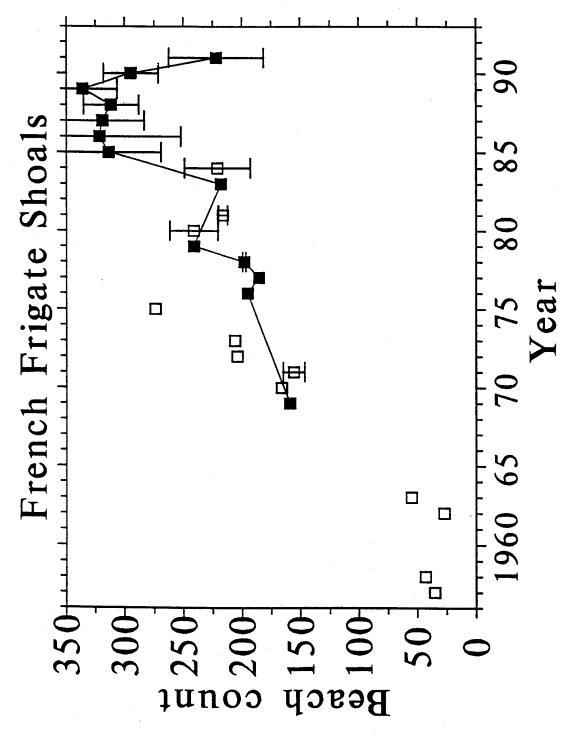


Figure 3.--Beach counts of Hawaiian monk seals at French Frigate Shoals, 1956-91. Filled squares are ground counts. Hollow squares (may not be directly comparable to ground "I" symbol represents ! 1 Standard Deviation. counts are other counts).

APPENDIXES

Appendix A.--Itinerary of fieldwork conducted at French Frigate Shoals in 1990 by the National Marine Fisheries Service.

Date	Event		
5/06	B. Becker, L. Hiruki, and R. Morrow arrive via Pearl Pacific Airways (PPA). Research begins.		
5/16	Becker, Hiruki, and Morrow depart via PPA.		
6/13	L. Laniawe, J. Glueck, and M. Craig arrive via NOAA ship Townsend Cromwell.		
6/25	Undersized weaned pup YG15 transported to Oahu via F/V Golden Eagle.		
6/27	Undersize weaned pup YG21 transported to Oahu via PPA.		
7/12	Undersize weaned pups YG24 and YG37 transported to Oahu via PPA.		
7/22	Average size weaned pups YG10, YG31, YG34, YG41, and YG47 transported to Kure Atoll via Townsend Cromwell.		
8/14	Craig and Laniawe depart for Oahu via Townsend Cromwell.		
8/15	Undersize weaned pup YG53 transported to Oahu via PPA.		
8/20	Glueck and undersize weaned pup YG55 depart to Oahu via PPA.		
9/23	D. Ackerman and W. Curtsinger (National Geographic Magazine) and W. Gilmartin arrive via PPA.		
9/29	Ackerman, Curtsinger, and Gilmartin depart via PPA. Research ends.		

Appendix B.--Itinerary of fieldwork conducted on French Frigate Shoals in 1991 by the National Marine Fisheries Service.

Date	Event				
1/24	W. Gilmartin and V. Honda (NMFS Enforcement) arrive via Pearl Pacific Airways (PPA).				
1/26	Gilmartin and Honda depart to Oahu via PPA.				
3/28	M. Craig arrives via NOAA ship Townsend Cromwell.				
3/29	Research begins.				
4/18	Craig departs to Oahu via Pearl Pacific Airways.				
4/28	Craig, S. Hall and L. Knopper arrive via PPA.				
5/03	Undersize weaned pup YZ03 transported to Oahu via PPA.				
6/12	Undersize weaned pups YZ10, YZ13, and YZ14 transported to Midway Islands (destined for Oahu) via U.S. Coast Guard vessel Sassafras.				
6/13	Adult male Y267 euthanized.				
6/20	Knopper departs to Oahu via PPA.				
6/26	E. Delaney arrives via Townsend Cromwell.				
7/04	Undersize weaned pup YZ27 transported to Oahu via USCG vessel Sassafras.				
8/07	Emaciated subadult female Y634 transported to Oahu via PPA with S. Atkinson and J. Pietraszek from the University of Hawaii.				
8/19	Undersize weaned pup YZ34 transported to Oahu via PPA.				
9/04	Research ends.				
9/05	Craig and Delaney depart for Oahu via PPA.				